

February 2018 - ACCR Sign of the Times

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ACCR APOSTOLATE VISION

To see the restoration of all the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as a normal part of Catholic Church life, and lead people into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, and develop the fullness of the Holy Spirit in the lives of all believers.

ACCR APOSTOLATE MISSION STATEMENT

ACCR seeks to serve the Catholic Church by being one of the agents and instruments of the Holy Spirit working for the ongoing renewal and growth of the Church today.

We seek to participate with the Holy Spirit in the renewal of the Church by:

- Working to lead all people to a close, personal and lasting relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord of all aspects of their lives.
- Fostering the Baptism (or Release) of the Holy Spirit, received in the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, as a means of deepening the work of the Holy Spirit in the Catholic Church and in the lives of individuals.
- Encouraging the use of the charismatic gifts as an accepted and regular part of life in the Catholic Church.
- Encouraging people to participate fully in the life of their parish.

A Message from Anil, ACCR Chairperson Repent and believe in the Gospel.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

Grace mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I hope you all had a good break to celebrate the festive season and spend time with friends and family.

When you receive this newsletter, Lent will be staring us in the face. Every year we attend the service on Ash Wednesday and have ashes put on our forehead with the words" Repent and believe in the gospel" said to us. We need to reflect whether these words have any meaning for us. Have I repented at all or is it just another ritual? Am I coming year after year but have not moved much in my spiritual journey? If not, this year presents us with another opportunity to repent. We need to answer the call to holiness and lent is a good time to do that. 40 days of prayer and fasting should help us in our journey.

Every year we give up something for lent, meat, alcohol, chocolates and similar. This time how about letting go of those people who are not leading us to God but subtly taking us away. We need to remember that with Jesus there is no middle ground. If we are not walking towards Jesus we are walking away.

If you have not yet attended a Healing of the Family Tree seminar then there is one in Ponsonby from the 21st of this month. See the newsletter for details. Please encourage your prayer group members and family to attend one. It is well worth it.

Once again thank you for all your efforts in spreading the kingdom.
Continue to keep the renewal and the programmes in your prayers.

God bless,
Anil

Calendar these CCR dates (for more information see below)

Healing of the Family Tree

4 Wednesdays: Feb 21, 28, and March 7 and 14. (during Lent)

Venue: Sacred Heart Hall, Ponsonby. **7.30pm** Led by Fr Rory

Fr Joseph Victor: Apr 15 - 30 teachings, masses and spiritual direction.

Pentecost: May 20 ACCR and Lamb of God

Life in the Spirit Seminar: evenings of June 9, 16, 23 and 30th, run by St. Vincent de Paul Prayer Group (SVDP) at St. Vincent de Paul Church, Milford.

Dove Camp Auckland : July 27 - 29

Breakthrough Concert: Aug 18 (to be confirmed)

Joshua Camp: MAX18NZ National Catholic Mens Camp Sept 28-30 Kings College, Otahuhu
at www.max18nz.info

Scroll down for more information

ACCR Healing of the Family Tree: Flyer attached. (Select fit to page if printing the flyer.)

Dates: Feb 21 and 28, and Mar 7 and 14, 2018.

Venue: Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby. This involves 4 Wednesdays at 7.30pm culminating with a Eucharist for the Healing of your Family Tree. Physical, emotional and spiritual healing can take place as we pray for past, present and future members of our family.

This will be led by Fr Rory with support from CCR members. There will be an introduction to the course on the first night so come and find out more. Cost: \$10 for booklet and a love offering week 4. **All welcome.**

Prayer group leaders please come and be ready to help with prayer ministry etc if needed. Encourage your prayer group members to attend and to invite other people/families who could benefit.

For more information please contact **Fr Rory ph 3761737 or Anil 0223649306 or Mike Lobo 3900048**

Still available.

Our Story – History of CCR in NZ. **“The New Day that Dawned”**,
This book costs \$26.50 including P & P.

*You can deposit money into the CCRNZ bank Ac Westpac [03 0399 0933012 00](https://www.westpac.co.nz)
Please use your name and the word ‘book’ as ref. then let Margaret Paton know and she will post it out to you margaretpaton@xtra.co.nz or Ph 09 2984409*

CCR 2018 and Currents of Grace

Attached is a report we received from NZCCR chairperson, Diana Ingle, after the Conference last year. Page 1-2 report on our Conference, p3-6 summarise some important points that arose in Rome while p6-12 records the addresses given by Pope Francis and Fr Cantamalessa at the Pentecost Vigil.

At the end of his address Pope Francis asked the Renewal to keep on sharing the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. He said

" Share with all in the Church Baptism in the Holy Spirit, praise the Lord without a break, walk together with Christians of different Churches and Christian communities in prayer and in action for the neediest. Serve the poorest and the sick: this is what the Church and the Pope expect from you, Catholic Charismatic Renewal, but of all of you: all, all of you who entered in this current of grace! Thank you."

It also includes this Prophetic Word given by Patti Mansfield at the Pentecost Vigil with Pope Francis at Circo Massimo on June 3rd 2017.

"Brothers and sisters as we were praying in the Spirit the Lord gave me a word and it was this: **Lift up your eyes and see, that the fields are white for harvest. And if you would obey me, and if you would obey the prompting of my spirit, you will yet see, infinitely more than you can ask or imagine. You will yet see the power of my spirit descend upon the human race. I tell you, the fields are white for harvest, but I need your obedience, I need your docility, I need your faith, and you will yet see marvels that will astound you, infinitely more than you can ask or imagine, for the glory of my name."**

Read and reflect on these to see what the Holy Spirit is saying to CCR, to you and to your prayer group for 2018.

Life in the Spirit Seminars: Please keep these seminars and their leaders in Prayer.

1. **June 9th - 30th** at Milford Church. A Life in the Spirit seminar organised by St Vincent de Paul prayer group, 4 Saturday evenings from 7pm.

2. **April:** Olivia and a team from Jesus the Good Shepherd prayer group are planning to run an 8 week Life in the Spirit seminar in East Coast Bays parish starting in April. Following the seminar they plan to start a new prayer group in the parish.

A Request: To help with this LISS and setting up the new prayer group the team will be doing some fundraising. Their wish list includes a laptop, a data projector, a microphone and speakers. If you can help in any way with any of these items please contact Olivia at olivia-av@hotmail.com

3. Please also pray for the Catholic Parish in Gisborne preparing for an LiSS between Easter - Pentecost and St George's Anglican Church preparing for an LiSS in Papatoetoe in May/June.

4. If your prayer group wants to do a life in the Spirit Seminar please contact the Service Group.

5. For your information **The Gift** is a New LISS Resource on DVD produced by CAFE in England. It appears to be an update of The Promise DVD series with mostly the same speakers. The speakers are David Payne, Michelle Moran the past president of ICCRS, Charles Whitehead and Jenny Baker who is a member of CCR national service team in England. You can download it for 19.95 GBP or buy the DVD for 25.95GBP

See reviews <https://www.thegiftofthespirit.org/quotes>

Another DVD series called The Big Picture is a walk through bible salvation history and is recommended as a followup to The Gift or any LISS. **For these and other resources see <https://faithcafe.org>**

News from the prayer groups:

Jesus the Good Shepherd prayer group in Milford has a new leader, Antonio Pereira. We thank Kevin Alexander for his 2 years of leadership. Kevin will still be a part of the core team.

Death notice: May She Rest in Peace

We were saddened to hear of the death of our faithful helper Zoe McCarthy on Jan 23rd. Zoe had been a very committed member of several prayer groups and a long time member of ACCR service group before she resigned due to ill health. Zoe was the only child of an English father and a Japanese mother. She will be remembered among other things for her faith, her kindness, her smile, her friendliness, her humility, her positive outlook and her commitment to doing God's work. Zoe often worked in the background and did a lot of telephone work for ACCR service group. It was good to see many people from ACCR at her rosary and funeral.

Thank you to everyone who contributed food and donations to help with Zoe's funeral.

A message from Josie, NZCCR intercessory leader

I was very fortunate and grateful to Renewal for enabling me to attend a prophetic conference in Singapore recently. Around 12 countries from around Asia and Oceania were represented there. The conference was organised by ISAO.

It was a time of further formation in the area of the prophetic and also there was an opportunity for a representative from each country to present some insights into how the Lord was moving in their country in relation to intercession.

It is quite clear from this conference that the Lord is truly calling us to come deeper into the prophetic. The Theme of the conference was, "Mountain Movers". When we begin to pray in the prophetic; then mountains will move!

It was a conference filled with hope, revealing that God is truly moving over our nations, but he is calling us to move with him in prayer. Prophetic intercession is bringing the Kingdom of God down into the world.

Each country was given a couple of nations to pray for. New Zealand was given Singapore and Cambodia. Please pray for these 2 nations during your intercession or when at Mass.

I need to now pray and seek God's will for where to go from here? Please keep this and the work of Renewal in prayer.

New Schools of Discipleship

2018 Please pray for New HSI schools which will be starting soon at Our Lady of Lourdes - Glen Eden Parish and at Hamilton Cathedral.

Some reading:

Current of Grace CCR - 50th Jubilee report **attached**

ACCR Prayer intentions

Service group
National Service Committee and all CCR Leaders
For the intentions of ISAO and ICCRS
New members for Service Group
Healing of the family tree seminar
Life in the Spirit seminars
Prayer group leaders and prayer group initiatives
For all members of the renewal who are sick
Youth, particularly those involved in CCR
Conversion of ISIS leaders and members
Persecuted Christians

Regular events

Prayer groups: See website for meeting places and times.
<http://www.catholiccharismatic.org.nz>

2017 Schools of Discipleship

Herne Bay and Ponsonby parishes: Tuesdays 7.30pm. Venue: Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Ponsonby. **Contact Mike Lobo** mlobo@titan.co.nz

East Coast Bays: Mondays 7.30pm. Venue: St Francis Church Hall, Torbay. **Contact Kevin Farrell** kevinruthf@xtra.co.nz

St John Vianney, Hillsborough: Sundays 4.30pm. **Contact Viveka** viveka.d@icloud.com

St Dominics, Blockhouse Bay: Fridays 7.30pm **Contact Reggis Rego** r_rego@hotmail.com

St Marks, Pakuranga, Thursdays 7.30pm. **Contact Gerard De Silva** desilva.sriyan@gmail.com

St Marys, Papakura Youth, Wednesday 7pm. **Contact Mike Lobo** mlobo@titan.co.nz

Please contact Mike Lobo mlobo@titan.co.nz **or Kevin Farrell** kevinruthf@xtra.co.nz **for info re Schools of Discipleship.**

Healing Ministry: Available after the 7.30pm Mass every 3rd Thursday at St Thomas More Catholic Church, Glenfield. Enquiries Contact Ramiz 027 201 0302. **Not Dec, check re Jan.**

Note: Lilian Iskander and her Good Shepherd Group volunteer for **NZ prayerline**

every Monday 7:30pm-9:00pm praying for callers from all around NZ. The number to call for prayers is 0800 50 80 80.

Home Group Bible Study at Schnapper Rock, Northshore: Call or text Ramiz 027 201 0302

Dove Catholic Fellowship for woman: Monthly meetings (include prayer ministry and fellowship)

West Auckland Dove: 1st Tuesdays at 7.30pm **at St Michael and all Angels Anglican Church** - 425 Great North Road, Henderson. Contact Jane 0211178977 or Teresa 838 9969

North Shore Dove: 3rd Wednesdays, 7.30pm. **Venue: St. Thomas More Church, 366 Wairau Road, Glenfield, Auckland 0629.** All warmly invited. For more information call Nanci Heah (09) 419 0348

South Auckland Dove: last Tuesdays, **7. 30pm at St Anne's Parish Hall**, 126 Russell Rd, Manurewa. Contact Grace Rowland 09 577 3479 or 027 624 3842

Joshua Fellowship: a Catholic men's fellowship. 7.30pm – 9.30pm every last Wednesday. St Josephs Centre, Fred Thomas Drive, Takapuna. Contact: Basil ph 4435755 or 0272612585 or www.joshua.org.nz